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Dear Harold,

Hello! Hope both you and Lillian are well. I hear that the winter is still pounding away. Well, only a month or so more of it.

I have done a great deal of thinking about all we discused over the phone this past weekend and have decided to contact Jack Anderson's office about my stories. Perhaps I should have taken your advice about their motives and methods, but I feel I have to try it my way and see what happens. The reasons I decided to alert them to my work are multi-faceted. First, since I have already published it, it is really nothing new. Second, if I contact them and give them the exact details on the origins and development of the story (both on Kennedy and King) then they will not be able to credit the House Committee as readily. It just may help to put things in perspective and aid in the need to ask the proper questions about all of this information. Not just to use it for sensational headlines. Third, and a bit selfishly I admit, perhaps it might help me in my quest for a job in an area I sincerely wish to stay in, investigations.

So much for all of that, but I would greatly welcome any advice you could give me on what I just told you.

On other fronts...I was wondering if I could get the benefit of your knowledge on some other areas. First, is it possible to make a FOIA request on the local level? I would like to use this vehicle to get at some of the Miami police files on this stuff. I would guess that because of the LEAA funds the locals get, the Act would apply. Second (and this is a different-type question), what vehicle would

you like to see investigate the assassinations? Are you opposed to the House committee ~~[illegible]~~ on principle, or do you just dislike some of the tactics they are using? I am interested in your reasoning on this.

Finally, ~~[illegible]~~ I imagine you missed it, but there was a Miami Herald story a month or so ago that noted the fact that Trafficante had testified before the Senate Intelligence Committee on his role in the CIA assassination plots last October. If you would like a copy, let me know.

Well, that's all for now. Hope to hear from you soon.

Best Regards,

Dan

P.S. Enclosed is a copy of the Miami Mag January update on Milteer.